Coffee Shop AU

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Summary

"Where do you find this shit?"
"Google,"
"You're definitely winning..."

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The biggest find yet

Notes

See the end of the work for notes

Flora slides her tablet across the table to Ryan. She has a little Bluetooth pen she's used to highlight sections of the online textbook. Her highlighted and annotated eBook is displayed on one half of the split screen, Dr. Graham's lecture slides on the other.

Upside down now, she scrolls to find the correct slide to match the highlighted portion of the book that she was tapping at to draw Ryan's attention to it. She's proving a point, she has receipts.

"Okay," Ryan drawls out, she'd think he was disinterested if he wasn't leaning on his elbows across the table, "So he mistyped. Or the book is outdated,"

"By that much? No, we're suppose to notice it."

"I really don't think Graham thinks about us that much. Hell, he'd lecture at an empty classroom, he doesn't care if we notice little things like that."

"Maybe he doesn't *care* if we notice it, but we're *suppose* to."

Ryan blinks at her. Sometimes she wonders how he got this far, but that's not really fair. Ryan is actually very smart, he's good at this and could very well be successful in their field, he just hates for people to know it.

"That's, you realize how that's contradictory, right?"

"It's not!" Flora insists. She picks up her drink, the one she only bought because she felt weird sitting in the little coffee shop for hours empty handed. The ice in her iced chai latte has started to melt, she can see where the melted water is separated from the rest of the drink, right on top, so she swirls the cup around to mix it. It helps that this also irritates Ryan, he rolls his eyes at her but he's not exactly mean about it. "Okay look," she continues, taking the tablet back, "He does it again, here wait,"

Ryan isn't looking at her anymore though, he's focused on a spot just above her head. From behind her, someone calls for, "Will!"

Her head snaps up without her approval and she has to force her eyes back where she was scrolling through her textbook. There's no way.

She slides her phone closer to herself, not allowing herself to look up from the table. She taps out,

Flora Franklin

Is that

She jumps when Ryan's phone vibrates on the table between them. It's quiet, but she's somehow sure that Graham, who's walking in their direction watching the ground like it might jump up and bite him, can hear it and knows exactly what they're talking about.

Ryan

yep

Flora Franklin

Oh my god?

Ryan

yep

The universe either really loves or really, really hates Flora, because Graham takes the booth seat directly behind her. He's back to back with her, the woman facing them.

Flora Franklin

Who is she?

Ryan

idk

Levi (T?)

Whats happening?

Flora Franklin

I can't turn around

Flora Franklin

Describe her, what's she look like?

Ryan

asian? dark hair

Levi (T?)

What

Levi (T?)

Is

Levi (T?)

Happening???

Flora Franklin

long short? what's she wearing? make up? date outfit? is she trying? do you recognize her??? TRY RYAN

Ryan

longish blue shirt I guess dunno what no

Levi (T?)

Men are useless

Flora Franklin

@Levi you are a man

Flora Franklin

Is she pretty?

Levi (T?)

oH?

Ryan

im not answering that

Levi (T?)

Hey uh guys, this is the group chat

Flora Franklin

Yes I KNOW THAT

Ryan

she got him a coffee

She did. Flora can hear them too well. She - whoever she is - got 'Will' - Professor Graham - a coffee. Flora's about to change her bet to G and Dr.Bf being broken up.

"But I didn't get McSteamy anything, I wasn't sure what he'd want," The woman - not to be confused with the woman from Winnie's restaurant, at least, probably not - says lightly.

"Wrong kind of surgery," Graham says on a putout sigh, "It's fine, he won't drink it anyway."

Ryan

mc steamy

Hayden

Yes?

Ryan

what

Levi (T?)

BAHAHAH

Levi (T?)

yea

Hayden

What

"Is- Is *the* Hannibal Lecter *late*?"

"No," Graham promises, "I wanted to talk to you first, so I told him to be here half an hour later. He'll be here in fifteen, because he's *the* Hannibal Lector."

Flora Franklin

It's a reference. Grey's Anatomy

Levi (T?)

Sorry I'm still confused

Flora Franklin

Coffee on campus. me & Ryan. Graham and a woman and doesn't it feel like we've done this before

Flora Franklin

They are literally RIGHT behind me

Flora Franklin

Graham wanted to talk to her aloneee, w/o Dr.Bf AKA McSteamy

Flora Franklin

Also, I though Dr.Bf was a psychiatrist?

Hayden

He is

Flora Franklin

Graham said wrong surgery, makes me think he's a surgeon

Hayden

Hang on

"Scandalous," The woman teases.

Hayden *sent a photo*

The picture is of his phones web browser, which is open to a page with information on Dr. H. Lecter. According to Hayden's hasty research, Dr. Lecter (AKA Dr. Boyfriend) was a trauma surgeon at John Hopkins Hospital before he opened his own place to practice psychiatry.

Graham groans behind Flora, "You know what, never mind."

"Okay, okay. I'm sorry, we're serious," the woman says, then laughs not three seconds later.

"No, I've changed my mind. I'll ask... someone else,"

"Jesus, Graham, just spit it out,"

Flora Franklin

Hmm, interesting

Levi (T?)

what r they talking about

Flora Franklin

Nothing yet, joking around kind of

Flora Franklin

Who knew Graham had a sense of humor (?)

Flora Franklin

Question mark on the humor but she's laughing so

Levi (T?)

So... are they like...

Levi (T?)

What's happening? Where's double Dr. bf?

Flora Franklin

Still not here, it's not been long tho, Graham said he'd be early so idk

Hayden *sent a photo*

Hayden

Is this her? This is the closest I could get

No one says anything for a minute. And then two, Flora looks to see Ryan poking at her tablet again and paying no attention to the drama unfolding in the group chat... ugh, men.

"Ryan!" She tries to get his attention as casually as possible. He glances up at her but gives her a 'wait a minute' gesture and goes back to ignoring his phone.

"Well give me a hint, at least, damn. This isn't about the case?"

Graham doesn't answer her. Ryan finally takes his phone out again.

"Is this about McSteamy? Because we are steadily running out of time to bash your man behind his back, and I'm don't think I'm too fond of the idea of bashing him to his face."

Finally - *finally* - Ryan gives a response.

Ryan

yes

The picture that Hayden had sent looks like it could be off of an ID card or one of those lanyards all the professors have. It is, in fact, a picture of an Asian woman with long-ish dark hair. In the picture, she's smiling only slightly, no teeth, and the name underneath claims that she is Beverly Katz.

Levi (T?)

@**Hayden** where do you find this shit????

Hayden

Google

Levi (T?)

Ur too good at this

"It's not about Hannibal." Graham denies at Flora's back, "I just wanted, a favor I guess,"

"A favor not including Lecter?"

"He's... not uninvolved," Graham seems at a loss for words.

"Quit stalling, you know I'll do it anyways,"

"Maybe," There's a pause where Graham must make a face or at least because the woman snorts at him. Graham's accent deepens a little when he finally asks, "I don't know how to- You wanna be my best man?"

There's a long pause in which Flora holds her breath and Ryan's head snaps up from their course work, his eyes fixed on a spot just behind her.

Then, the sound of someone slapping their hand down onto the coffee shop's little fake wood tables quickly in excitement. "No shit!"

"No shit," Graham seems to agree.

Flora Franklin

DR FIANCE

Flora Franklin

DR F I A N C E

"Will!" Beverly Katz all but yells, "Oh my god?"

"Don't be weird about it,"

"What," Katz falls back into a normal speaking tone to tease, "Lecter won Bloom?'

"No, actually. His cousin, but I can ask Alana if you don't want to,"

"Shut up, actually shut up. Of course I want to!"

Amelia (D?)

Dr WHAT

Ryan

what @**Flora** said

Flora Franklin

Fiance fiance fiance

Levi (T?)

EXCUSE ME

Flora Franklin

Graham asked her to be his "best man" which... cute

Flora Franklin

It was cute

Amelia (D?)

He asked HER to be his best MAN

Hayden

Is that not how it works?

Flora Franklin

idk but the phrasing was cute

Levi (T?)

Wow, ur def winning the info gathering

End Notes

Because I detest the idea that Will Graham is a bad teacher
Also, we might be wrapping up bc I'm quickly running out of ideas, drop a spy location if you got one.
Also, Also, this one is soooo long wow,
No Han in this bc don't want them getting too much info too quick, I imagine they just talked shop (murder) when he got there

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